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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN NOMAD FILM PROJECT

FOR JERRY VERNER, USIS, PASS A. BALIKCI FROM SORENSON, SMI.

1. 40 ROLLS SN TAPE AND 38 ROLLS FILM SENT AIR BILL NUMBER
125DCA50056370 SHOULD HAVE ARRIVED KABUL ON ARIANA
AFGHANISTAN AIRLINES THURSDAY MORNING JUNE 5.

2. REPORT RUSHES SCREENING ROLLS 1-20 AFGHANISTAN PROJECT
(A). TECHNICAL - DIRT BAD HARIS ON HALF OF MATERIALS CLEAN
AND CHECK GATE AFTER EVERY ROLL REPEAT KEEP GATE CLEAN.
EXPOSURES FOCUS OK CAMERA RUNNING WELL NO SCRATCHES FOGGING
ON SOME MATERIALS APPEARS ASSOCIATED WITH TRIPOD SHOTING
DUE TO EYE LOSING CONTACT WITH EYEPiece SLATE ALL CAMERA
ROLLS REPEAT ALL ROLLS KEEP TRIPOD OUT OF SHOTS. (B). FILM
TECHNIQUE - AVOID BACK LIGHTING ESPECIALLY IN HIGH BRIGHTNESS
RANGE EXCEPT WHERE EFFECT DESIRED OR WHEN COMPLETE SEQUENCE
FILM WOULD BE IMPROVED BY SPECTRUM OF LIGHT VALUES EARLY
MORNING EVENING AND NIGHT FOR NIGHT SHOOTING EMPLOY STANDARD
DAY FOR NIGHT PROCEDURE SUNNY DAY CLEAR SKY EXPOSURE 1-1/2
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STOPS BELOW NORMAL USE TRIPOD ESPECIALLY ON ESTABLISHING

SHOTS HAND HELD CLOSE ACTION GOOD MORE STATIC ESTABLISHING
SHOTS REQUIRED HOLD ON SUBJECT LONGER UNTIL ACTION COMPLETE
USE ZOOM LESS AND HOLD ON BEGINNING AND END OF SHOTS AVOID

LONG SHOT OF ZOOM MATERIALS NOW RESTRICTED TO MEDIUM
MEDIUM CLOSE-UP RANGE LONGER AND HIGHER ESTABLISHING SHOTS

REQUIRED ALSO CLOSE UP TO EXTREME CLOSE-UP DETAIL OF FACES
HANDS JEWELLERY ETC WOULD ENRICH GREATER VARIETY OF ANGLES
ALSO NEEDED. (C). COVERAGE - SHOOTING RATIO HIGH SEQUENCES
COULD BE FULLER AND SHOTS LAST LONGER APPARENT DAILY

REPEAT OF NOMAD ACTIVITIES SHOULD ALLOW MORE PLANNING TO
AVOID DUPLICATION AND GREATER ENRICHMENT OF SEQUENCES
RECOMMEND RESHOOT OF DECAMPING DUE TO DIRTY GATE TYPE OF
COVERAGE OF CAMELS EXCELLENT SAME COVERAGE ON ALL ASPECTS
OF THIS SUBJECT DESIRABLE NO COVERAGE OF WOMEN TO DATE ARE
THERE ANY TEENAGE WOMEN NO INDICATION OF MALE/FEMALE
RELATIONS WHAT GOES ON INSIDE THE TENT WHAT DO THEY DO
FOR WATER WHAT HAPPENS TO THE CAMELS AND HORSES WHEN THEY

ARE NOT IN CARAVAN ACTIVITIES HAVE A MID-DAY EMPHASIS
WHAT HAPPENS IN EARLY MORNING EVENING NIGHT LAND AND USE
IF FILM TO TOUCH ON LAND USE POPULATION DENSITY EXTREME
LONG SHOTS EMPTY TERRAIN REQUIRED NOMADS COULD THEN MOVE
INTO FRAME EXTREME DISTANCE THEN LONG AND MEDIUM ETC
NOMADS MOVING OUT OF FRAME MEANINGFUL MEDIUM AND CLOSE-UPS
TERRAIN AND VEGETATION WITHOUT PEOPLE WOULD BE USEFUL.

3. SORENSON URGENTLY REQUIRES ACL PLUS MAGAZINES AND
NAGRA SNN. BRAZILIAN PROJECT MUST START JUNE 12TH. KISSINGER

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